

The Democrat,

DRAWING CLOUDY PICTURES.

The Arkansas State Grange is a good paper and a valued exchange, and its editor is a respectable and highly esteemed friend. He would not have the fool-hardy presumption to measure goose-quills with a man of the ability, experience and ripe years of the editor of the Grange, but we must, notwithstanding, file a few exceptions to the cloudy picture which he draws of the farmer's life, in noticing a little article which lately appeared in the DEMOCRAT under the head of "Silly Prejudices." Like Bro. Tobey, we reiterate these prejudices, but in trying to assign the reasons why they exist we think he has drawn a very dismal picture of the farmer's life. And by contrasting the "poor devil," as he terms the farmer, penniless—without even enough to subsist on the Grange or DEMOCRAT (both of which every farmer should do)—"feeling in his very soul that he is not getting the comforts and luxuries of life"—telling and enduring privations only to find himself at the end of the year without any accumulations—buying goods on credit through the year, and selling his crop at a low price at the end of the year—the prey of envy mixed with disappointment and disgust—by comparing the farmer, thus depicted, with the merchant "living in affluence, in fine houses, wearing better clothes than he can afford, his children acquiring a good education,—the esteemed editor of the Grange is certainly not doing much to allay these "silly prejudices." He is not doing much to cheer up the farmer and make him contented with his lot to which God has assigned him. And when he tells the farmer that "the man who starts out with two thousand dollars worth of goods, will, at the end of five years, have accumulated more than he who starts out with five thousand worth of land will have accumulated in ten years, provided both are industrious, economical and make the best use of their brains," he adds the finishing touch to a picture which is only calculated to make the farmer gloomy, disheartened, sad, envious, and still more intensely prejudiced against the merchant.

Well, our friend has been a farmer, and we haven't; but we think we know enough about farming and merchandising both to know that he is sadly and most egregiously mistaken in his assercion about the relative profits of merchandising and farming.

Our idea of farming is that it is the most noble, free, independent, happy and wholesome life of all others. And combined with this is its comparative exemption from the anxiety and risks incurred in almost any other life, especially in the speculative and mercantile life. Old mother earth is not an ingrate, and she seldom fails to fill the garner of the earnest, industrious tiller of the soil. True, the farmer must work and must manage judiciously to succeed. But what occupation could we seek where this is not the case? And what occupation could we seek where the care and anxiety and mental strain is so slight as it is with the well regulated farmer? No, Brother Tobey, in place of holding up the gloomy side of the picture, and disheartening the farmer, let us help him look on the bright side; for truly we think the farmer need envy no living man. Surely none can live more happily, independently and comfortably than he, and it is but doing him an injury to disgust him with his noble calling by painting cloudy pictures of his life.

CAN HE AFFORD IT?

Will Mr. Hayes Assume to Take a Place to Which he was Not Elected?

What will be the outcome of all this wretched business? Will Mr. Hayes be counted in by one vote wrong from an unwilling people by the force of arms? Will Mr. Packard, the power behind the throne in this state for the last four years, now wield the sceptre in propria persona for four years to come? The answer rests not with us, but with the whole American people. The great experiment of self government is within one step of a failure. Mr. Hayes may yield to the seduction of a great temptation, and the influence of bolder and worse men than himself. He

may venture to take the presidential chair upon a vote secured through irregularities in republican states, and fraud in democratic states, in opposition to the expressed preference of an immense popular majority. If he does he will be the first president of the United States about whose election there has never been any doubt, and he will have paved the way towards Mexicanizing the elective system of the general government. Mr. Packard, the reluctantly accepted candidate of a party now in hopeless minority, may accept an office at the hands of his undertrappers which has been refused him by his fellow-citizens. If he does, his reign will be one of turmoil and tumult from beginning to end, and he will retire at the end of his term the object of even more detestation than he is at present.—[New Orleans Picayune.]

It seems impossible for the nation to escape the false and fraudulent return, under color of corruptly conceived, enacted and executed law, of Rutherford B. Hayes as president elect. Chandler and Cameron are in accord with Kellogg and Packard, who have been condemned and spurned by the highest republican councils of the country, and the president will be content with the shadow of the law, while its substance perishes before the mastery of wrong. Who can afford it?

Can Rutherford B. Hayes afford it? He is esteemed an honest man. In all the heat and bitterness of the conflict his integrity was not successfully assailed. Among his most effective champions were those who believed and taught that he would make a better and purer administration, and there were tens of thousands who voted for him with either strong or hesitating trust in his sincere devotion to the right. Not one of all such of his supporters will for a moment sanction his acceptance of the highest honor of a free people, when it is borne to him, as it must be, by a monstrous pollution of the ballot, and a revolutionary defiance of the popular will of his countrymen. It is possible that he might thus reach the presidency, but it would be only to meet with a sudden obedience of a great people, until they can stamp their terrible execrations upon his conscious usurpation of their noblest authority.

Can capital and business afford it? Distrust in government is disastrous to business, to credit, to prosperity. The violent resistance to real or imaginary wrong may, like the tempest, give a pure and wholesome atmosphere; but the subversion of the free government by palpable fraud, will be like the subtle poison that courses its way to the vitals of the republic. Even the color of law, behind which fraud may take refuge, will but deepen and widen the despair of the people and teach to all that the laws of the noblest government of the world are but the shield of lawlessness. It will be the accepted deliverance to mankind that free government has perished from the earth. Its form may linger for years to come, but its life, its inspiration, its grandeur must wither upon its own long-worshiped but now desecrated altar. It will end hope, progress, thrift; it will wound credit, close the markets of the world against us, and flood us with millions of obligations for which, in our better and purer days, we have been trusted. The pall of doubt will hang over every enterprise, and capital will seek safety by withdrawal from the uncertain protection of an uncertain government.

Can the nation afford it? It needs no prophetic pen to foretell the early overthrow of the present political domination of the country, even with all the arbitrary power it can wield for its protection against the popular will. And when overthrown, what then? If usurpation is sanctioned now in Louisiana and Florida, who will gainsay its exercise in Pennsylvania or New York or Massachusetts, when the next political power is called to account by an outraged people? If might, not right, is to be the law of to-day, who shall say that it may not be the law of democracy in the future that now inevitably belongs to it? If contempt for justice in the execution of our laws shall now be taught as a precedent for those who shall reach power hereafter, what will be left of free government that an honest people can worship or respect? Who will not point to the countless graves of our warriors on the hillside and in the valleys of the south, as a weird reproach upon a patriotism that will not, in peace, maintain the freedom that was rescued in the valley of death.

OUR HOME PATRONS.

Who they are, What they do, and Where to Find Them.

We feel a just pride in our town when we pick up our paper and glance over the advertising columns. There is no surer index or indication of live, generous and honorable business men than is afforded by a town paper well

filled with the advertisements of the business citizens of the place. It speaks of business sense, of liberality and of enterprise. It affords us pleasure to spend a moment now in placing the names of our home patrons before our readers in this article.

First we notice the liberal advertisement of our oldest and most substantial merchant in the mammoth brick store,

J. L. SHINN.

For more than twenty years Mr. Shinn has been a merchant of our town. Commencing business here some time about the year 1854 with but a very small capital—less, perhaps, than the fast young man of now-a-days would require to sport a broad-cloth suit, diamond ring or pin, and gold watch and chain—he has by close attention to business, by honorable dealing, and by close economy steadily built up his business until he may now properly be ranked among the most prosperous, substantial and enterprising merchants in all the state. From a small, dingy 18x24 little trading shop, his business has now become the handsome, two-story, 50x90 brick store on the corner of Main and River streets, which would be a credit to the capital of our state. This building stands over the identical spot where Mr. S. sold his first dollars worth of goods and was finished only last May. Mr. Shinn has always been a liberal advertiser. The Russellville papers have always found him a friend and a generous advertiser, and he has also at one time extended his advertising to the Dardanelle paper.

J. B. ERWIN.

On the North-West corner of Main and Buchanan streets, is another old citizen and merchant of Russellville. Fair dealing and liberal advertising has also proved to be the best policy in his case and we find his business to-day appearing prosperous and increasing. There is no one understands handling dry goods better than Erwin and we pride ourselves upon having him as a patron to whose advertisement we can refer with genuine satisfaction.

R. J. WILSON & CO.,

Dealers in dry goods, clothing, boots and shoes, groceries and hardware, now occupy and own the fine, frame two-story house built by the Russell Bros. in 1870. Messrs. W. & Co., formerly did business at Norristown, but after the railroad was finished to this place they were too enterprising to be three miles from the road, and moved to our town, adding another staunch firm of a good business man to our town.

HARKEY & BRO.,

Druggists and wholesale liquor dealers, embarked in business in our town in 1870. The firm is composed of gentlemen who have lived in or near our town from boyhood, and they are favorably known to almost every man, woman and child in Pope county. Their business has prospered and grown, and was never more prosperous than at the present. The firm is a credit to our town, and deserving of a liberal patronage.

W. P. WOOTEN & CO.,

Proprietors of the Buchanan street provision store, embarked in business here some two years ago and have proved themselves to be thorough business men and clever gentlemen. Their house is now well known, and is one of the permanent fixtures of our town. They make groceries a specialty and always keep a good stock on hand.

HOWELL & HOWELL,

Composed of HAPPY GEORGE and H. C. HOWELL, of Dover, is one of our live firms; they do a general merchandising business and occupy a place in the front rank of our business men. Their "ad." may always be found in the DEMOCRAT, for which they have our most hearty thanks.

M. B. ROYS,

The hardware man, is another late and valuable acquisition to our town. His establishment on Main street, is headquarters for stoves, tinware, cutlery and hardware. See his advertisement and be sure to give him a call when you want anything in his line.

F. E. BARROW & CO.,

On the South-East corner of Main and Jefferson street claim to be headquarters for bargains in dry goods, notions, boots and shoes, hats and caps, and everything else usually kept in a first-class store. Capt. B. came from Missouri to our town in 1875, and has proved himself to be a thor-

ough business man and a valuable acquisition to our town. We hope he may prosper and do business here a thousand years.

JAS. A. MOSELEY & CO.,

Is the style of that excellent grocery firm on Main street, next door to the tinshop. These gentlemen started in business here last year, and notwithstanding dull times seem always to be doing a handsome business. They are clever gentlemen and always keep a nice assortment of good things in their stock.

JNO. T. WHARTON,

Druggist and apothecary, is the right man at the right business. His establishment on Main street next door to Shinn's old stand. His drugs are always pure and fresh and his prices low as the lowest. Give him a call and see for yourself.

MAC'S SALOON,

On Buchanan street, next door to the Livery Stable is the place to get something good for the inner man. The finest and best of liquors and brandies are always found at Mac's. Also the best wines and beers. This is the old reliable, long established saloon of the place, and here's luck to them.

THE STEAM FLOURING MILL

Of Messrs. Smith & Harkey is an enterprise that we refer to with pride. Their whole machinery is the very best and most improved and they are making flour which is good enough. Their wool-carding machinery is the finest in the State and they guarantee satisfaction to all who may favor them with their patronage.

THE SAW AND GRIST-MILL

Of J. A. Rachel & Co. show enterprise and liberality by placing their advertisement in our columns, and it affords us pleasure to say that all who may patronize them will find them gentlemen of the most honorable and clever type. Their mill is two miles north of Mill Creek Station.

JONES' COTTON GIN,

Run by Mr. James W. Jones himself is located near the flouring mill, and does the very best class of work in ginning and baling cotton. No one has the advantage of Mr. J. so far as experience is concerned, and satisfaction is sure to be obtained at this gin.

T. C. YORK,

The fashionable boot and shoe maker, has earned the distinction of being everybody's favorite when it comes to wanting a neat fitting, easy and elegant boot or shoe. His shop is on Main street next door to R. J. Wilson & Co. Give him a call.

D. L. WINTON,

Practical Machinist and Engineer has in various instances proved himself to be complete master of his trade. Parties in any section of this or adjoining counties can secure his services by addressing him at this place.

The announcement of the

RUSSELLVILLE MALE AND FEMALE

HIGH SCHOOL,

Prof. David S. Patrick, A. M., Principal, speaks for itself. We call especial attention to this announcement and without hesitation we recommend the school to those young gentlemen and ladies of this and adjoining counties who may wish to attend a good High School.

The advertisement of the

L. R. & F. S. R. LANDS,

By James Potts, Agent, can also be found in our columns, and parties desiring to purchase lands in our county will find that there is here a chance to make some good investments. The Agent's office is room No. 3 in J. L. Shinn's brick building, corner of Main and River streets.

Those wanting anything in the line of Marble work are referred to the advertisement of the

DARDANELLE MARBLE WORKS.

The work turned out by Mr. Keen compares favorably with any we have ever seen, and he proposes to duplicate prices of any similar establishment.

CHARLES ASHFORD,

(Late of London, England) proposes to repair watches, clocks, jewelry, &c., in the most approved style. There is no doubt but Mr. A. is complete master of his trade. As may be seen from his ad., Mr. Arthur Erwin is his agent here and will receive any work for repair, and send same forward, and deliver it back when completed.

The only professional cards with which our columns are adorned are those of the skilled medical firm of

HARRELL & FOSTER,

Well and favorably known to the public.

W. C. FORD,

Attorney at Law and Solicitor in Chancery, with office over Erwin's store.

L. W. DAVIS,

Attorney at Law and Real Estate Agent, with office on River street nearly opposite J. L. Shinn's, and

JAMES POTTS,

Real Estate and Collecting Agent, with office at Room No. 3 Shinn's brick store.

G. A. PARSONS,

Patentee of the Eighth Wonder of the World, makes his announcement through our columns. Look up his card and address him for particulars.

In addition to the above named patrons, the following named firms have been advertisers, and are yet in business in our town, but have temporarily withdrawn their ads.; Messrs. S. A. Buck, dry goods; R. C. Bonds, saddlery and bridles; J. T. Fowler & Co., dry goods. They are clever gentlemen and we hope they will so prosper that they may soon again insert their ads.

There are also a few firms in our town who have never yet advertised at all, from causes best known to themselves. Also some professional gentlemen who are either too delicate or too poor to make their business known through the public prints. We sympathize with them and tender them the kind advice to advertise before they die a natural death from want of enterprise and public spirit.

Are You Doing Your Duty?

As the season of the year is now at hand when our people will all have money on hands, we must remind them that there is a small investment which we advise every man in the county to make at once—and that is to subscribe for the Russellville DEMOCRAT. We give this advice and urge our citizens to accept it and act upon it, not simply because we are interested in the success of this paper, but because we believe it is the very best investment that can be made with that small sum of money. The benefits you will derive will be both direct and indirect. You will be almost certain to lose more from the paper costs if you do not read it, for there are notices and warnings and orders in almost every number of the paper which involve many dollars and cents to somebody. If you have a family of boys and girls the paper will be of great benefit to them, for they will read it when they will not read books and they will obtain knowledge and information from it which they can obtain from no book.

The indirect good that the paper is doing you is far greater than you can estimate. There is no other power or influence in your county which is doing so much for the country. Our paper is attracting more attention to Pope county than all things else combined. There is not a mail arrives at our office, scarcely, but what brings letters and postal cards enquiring for specimen copies of the DEMOCRAT. These inquiries come from farmers, mechanics, laboring men and capitalists in Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Wisconsin and Nebraska, who wish to come to a milder climate. They have their eye on Arkansas, and in order to judge of the country, the people and the prospects, they send for the newspaper which they always regard as a good index. We always mail papers to these parties, and we believe through this means many industrious, energetic citizens will be induced to seek homes in Pope county. Now if you want your county to grow in intelligence, in population and in wealth you can do nothing to secure this end so effectually and rapidly as to sustain and send out from your county a creditable paper. We try to make the DEMOCRAT such, and from the replies which we receive from parties to whom we send the paper, many expressing not only gratification, but even agreeable surprise, that such a creditable paper should come from the rural districts of Arkansas, we are flattered to believe that some degree of success is crowning our efforts, and that good will follow. We therefore submit it to you if you should not give our paper your generous support. Every man should take at least one copy for his own family, and there are many who are able to do so, who should subscribe for a number of copies to send abroad. If you will pay the subscription we will send them where they will do good. Send in your subscriptions, gentlemen. Come up squarely to your duty.

OUR TOWN.

In order to answer many inquiries, which we are receiving almost every day in regard to our town, at one time, we will give a few notes in regard to the place.

RUSSELLVILLE is a town of about 800 inhabitants. Our county is Pope (not Polk, as some of our 1-quirers have it.) This town is not the county seat—Dover a smaller town, ten miles north of this place, enjoying that distinction. Our town is located immediately upon the line of the L. R. & F. S. Ry., and is three miles from the Arkansas River. The country surround-

ing is of a good average farming quality and is well timbered. Population of the county about 10,000. There is no difficulty in all new comers securing good cheap homes. Town lots are sold at from \$10 to \$50. Lumber is worth \$12.50 per thousand, brick \$8, shingles \$5. We have stone coal all around us, and it is supplied at \$3.50 to \$4 per ton. Wood is sold at \$1.50 per cord. Water is good—wells about 20 to 30 feet deep. Health as good as any country. We have three churches—Presbyterian, Methodist South and Methodist North. Baptists will build a church soon. There is always a good private select school and a free public school kept in operation.

There are ten dealers in general merchandise, two dealers in drugs, two dealers in groceries and family supplies, one dealer in stoves and hardware, one dealer in liquors and wines, one dealer in confectionery, two wagon makers and blacksmiths, one steam flouring-mill, one wool-carding machine, two cotton gins, one saddle and harness maker, one tin shop, one gun smith, four builders and contractors, one cabinet maker, one livery stable, one butcher shop, two hotels, one printing office, five lawyers, five doctors, one dentist, one boot shop, one barber shop, four preachers. Dwelling houses rent from \$4 to \$15 per month. Board from \$10 to \$15 per month. At present there are but 3 or 4 vacant dwelling houses in town for rent, and only one or two business houses.

We want some live man or company to go into the tan-yard business. There is money to be made at it. We want also some one with capital enough to build and carry on a good hotel. Our town will be a splendid place for some one to make a good business out of this. A company with capital and energy would be offered some inducements to locate a cotton factory here, and there is no better location anywhere for one. A bank is needed badly and the man or company who first goes at it will do a fine business. A woolen mill would do well and the business would grow and prosper. We want good, honest, industrious citizens of all kinds. Especially farmers who want good farms near a good town cheap. We care not where they come from—would prefer them from the North, because we know they would be pleased with our delightful climate, fine soil and hospitable people; and because we know the Yankee farmer is a live, industrious, thriving farmer. We don't care a cent about a new-comer's politics if he is a good honest, industrious man. Come and see our town and county.

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